NO QUESTION OF THE HUMANIZING INFLUENCE OF THE BICYCLE.

Smashup That Made Fast Friends of Strangers-Rules of the Road -Bike Paragraphs.

that he loses his gentlemanly instinct and and after dismounting the lever is dropped. refuses to be placated. He calls the other about twelve or fourteen inches. They are a fool or a monkey or any other of those | nickle-plated with a toe on each, so as to foolish and inapplicable epithets which are hold the wheel on any surface. Many ridwont to come to the tongues of men when the house, and those who do not have woodat blows when an officer interferes and ar- | against the wall, which is hard on both the rests both. Or perhaps one of them goes will do away with this and will be worth before a magistrate and causes the arrest | its price for house duty alone. When out of the other for assault and battery, or if for a ride and a stop to rest is made, the bicycle stand will be a most useful addition there are no blows struck he charges pro- to the wheel

Two drivers of vehicles get mixed up on men swear and threaten all sorts of pun-They both imagine they have been highly place of American freemen if they did not let the other fellow know at first opportunity that such business would not be allowed to go unremembered.

Let two women pass each other on the the skirt binding on the other's dress is very same piece that Mary Ann's sister's of the thousand and one things which are likely to engross the mind of a woman, their umbrellas strike together. Maybe one of the umbrellas is torn; maybe neither is harmed, but the unpleasantness of the shock is felt by both and there are hard looks and mental or oral ejaculations about "that horrid old thing," or that "some peo-ple want to take up the whole sidewalk." or the women may go off down the street telling companions what an unpleasant thing it is to have to walk along the streets where "one has to meet everybody and anybody." If one of the persons "umbrellaly" collided happens to be a man, then it is probable that the other "party" uses more ion about "the effrontery of some people in

is right and who is wrong. Even the police judge can adopt no safe rule for determining these little matters of ethics, and is often compelled to "soak" all comers alike, whether the party of the first or the party

But it is a fact that these little comingstogether cause a great deal of trouble. Not so, however, with the riders of the bicycle, How different is the result when bicycle collides with bicycle. Two riders smashed into each other and wrecked their wheels recently on North Meridian street near Fall creek. They are fair types of the cyclist. hatred, instead of pummeling each other and thus adding to the injuries already received from the collision, instead of seeking to have each other arrested and instead of threatening each other with lawsuits, each one became greatly interested in the other and began plying questions as to the make of the wheel, its principal "points," such as its weight, strength of tubing and its general durability and capacity to resistance in collision. The trivial matter of personal injury was easily settled at the little stand where those soft drinks, which the bicycle has done so much to popularize, are sold. Then each had to inquire the other's name, learn if he belonged to any of the bicycle clubs or contemplated belonging to or organizing any, a country run, and they parted, each be-lieving that his wheel was the better. The two men had met under strange circumstance and as perfect strangers. The meeting was one of a character which would not, in the ordinary conditions, in-spire friendship; yet these men parted the best of friends. This is a somewhat exaggerated instance of the civilizing and humanizing influence of the bicycle. It has been experienced in some degree by nearly all wheelmen who have the nature and spirit of the cyclist deep rooted in their being. Politeness and good nature are accompaniments to wheel riding. A writer says in this connection that the "cheerful influences of the wheel know no limit to their range. It has multiplied courtship and abolished elopements, and, while it has en-The melancholy wheelman is wholly unknown, and it is positively asserted at no wheelman has ever committed suicide voluntarily." The bicycle at present is a valuable equipment of society, but when it is considered that it is just now beginning to be properly recognized as a utility, on the advancement of the human race. It is playing a great part, but its influence will increase at a "square" rate.

FOLLOWING STREET CARS.

Dangerous Practice That Is Very Prevalent.

It is somewhat surprising that there are not more accidents in this city growing out of a custom or fad of very young and very new riders to follow street cars. A rider car if not absolutely necessary, and then holding on to it is dangerous indeed, but the most foolish custom is riding behind the car between the tracks. The cyclist places himself in great danger. He cannot see ahead, only the rear end of the car being visible to him. In case the car should suddenly stop he has to take the chance of butting his brains out against it or of running into some other vehicle if he is able to turn out in time to avoid collision with the car. No rider ever reaches that degree of perfection in riding that he can afford to take any unnecessary chances. Some young riders love to "show off" when the occasion offers, but one injury takes away all the supposed glory and more than offsets it. No one but an overzealous rider or fool would attempt to ride between two cars passing each other. The least slip or the least swerve would result in the maiming or killing of the rider. There are a few cyclists who cross the Virginia-avenue viaduct frequently and who have been seen to ride between street cars. That there have been no deaths or serious accidents is remarkable. It is best and safest to keep to the right in the regular roadway.

ROAD RACING.

A New York Writer Thinks It Not a

Legitimate Sport. A writer in the New York Press does not seem to like road racing, and in the following articles there are suggestions which

"Road racing is not legitimate sport. It has always been a disgusting sight to see a lot of dirty, besmeared racing men scor-ing down the public highways, covered with dust and covering every one else with the same in a frantic endeavor to kill themselves. It does not take science to ride a road race; it merely takes brute strength and bulldog tenacity. The race is not to the swft; it is to the lucky. Then, again, it has been pointed out more than once that, while the public highway is given up to road races, thus preventing its use by legi-timate users, cycling gets the blame for it. Letters have been received from indignant taxpayers, who have been solicited by the L. A. W. to assist in the good roads movement, denouncing wheelmen in general for the evil doings of a few. 'Why should I assist the wheelmen in their alleged good roads work? wrote one prominent New Yorker recently. When I was out riding with my family on a holiday last year I found myself suddenly in the midst of a found myself suddenly in the midst of a lot of scorehing lunatics, who forced my to subscribers of Wheelway League stock team into a corner of the road, where I had are now on exhibition in the show window CHARLES T. WHITSETT.

which I had been called upon to help preserve through taxation, a racing ground. There are race tracks on which to hold races, and the highways were never made for that purpose. If the wheelmen want good roads merely because they want to use them for road races, count me out. This man was a little unreasonable in his denunciation, but he was justified in his anger, and, when angry, one is likely to be unreasonable. However, I have always maintained that road races are a prostitution of the sport, and I still hold that opinion. There is a place for everything."

A New Bicycle Stand.

Bicycle riders have long been suffering for the want of a bicycle stand which will fasten to the wheel. Among the latest patents forks" of the wheel with two clamps and | while the sustenance contained in the drink comes in the form of two forks in a casing. | need not be pointed out. The forks are drawn up into the casing which lets down the forks. The forks span wheel and the wall. The bicycle stand

The Bald-Kimble Match. held during this season, were arranged. The events to be run on the date of the Bald-Kimble races, Saturday, May 15, are:

One-third mile match race. One mile professional handicap. One mile match race, paced. One mile amateur. One-half mile match race.

The Bald-Kimble match will be the best two in three mile heats for a \$500 purse. Kimble rides an "Outing" wheel.

New Road Rules.

street. They are carrying umbrellas, and, tury Road Club of America has issued the torn or worn in places, or that the mate- amendments have been made, principally rial of which the dress is made is off the the classification of road records into the "out-and-home" course, having the A. W. start and finish at the same place. The latter course gives the rider the disadvantage on the return of any advantages of grade or wind he may have had going and vice versa. The new rules also recognize the mile record.

Circus Cycle Races.

vehement language in telling her compan- nection with the Forepaugh circus, In a crowded car, where passengers have ning several bicycle races as the closing to pay 5 cents fare and are not given a feature at each performance of the circus. place to sit, it very frequently happens that A round dozen fast riders will be secured a person's foot will get under that of an- to do the racing, local "speed merchants" other. Perhaps a favorite corn will be im- also being allowed to compete for liberal posed on. There is never any telling who cash prizes in every town visited by the

Memorial Day Road Race. The Memorial day road race, which will be run this year May 31, bids fair to eclipse diana. That it is to be a state affair is evidenced by the entries which are coming in from various points throughout the State, There will be over sixty prizes given, ranglars. The total value of all the prizes is Instead of breaking into objurgation and not far from \$1,000. The race is to be the usual handicap, the handicapping to be done by a competent committee of five.

Amateur riders only may compete. Bikelets.

He-They have a saying now that all the world's a wheel. She-To be sure it is. And it's a scorcher, too, whirling at the rate of more than 1,000 to the sex. miles an hour.-Detroit Free Press.

Madge-I think Jack is going to propose to me soon, mamma. Her Mother-Why do you say that? Madge-He took me out to look at some tandem wheels last evening.-Philadelphia

North American. "Wobbles needed exercise so urgently that he bought a bicycle, but he never rides."

"No, he never needs any more exercise after he has pumped up his tire.'

"By the way," remarked Battle and Murder, "what has become of that pale horse Death grinned an osseous grin, and answering said: "I'm using a bicycle for

scorching just now."-Exchange. "It is harder and harder," she sighed, "for

day left a person who was not distinctly plump virtually no alternative to the practice of deception in a greater or lesser degree.-Detroit Journal.

ture as to the future influence of the wheel | I have on my business suit my mind's full of business; when I get into evening dress my mind takes a purely social turn, while once in my cycle suit I'm all bicycling." "Carrying out that idea would make your mind an utter blank when you took a bath, The "Crush," "Dead Squelch" and wouldn't it?"-The Wheel.

"Poor old Todgers, I always feared that e was a little weak up above, and now the

"He's going around claiming that a man's fool to pay \$100 for a this year's bike when he can get a last year's wheel for half he price."-Cleveland Leader.

ing without a light, "My lamp has just this minute gone out."

The agile copper had landed him for rid-

The copper placed his delicately manicured fingertips upon the lamp, and heat there was none. "Oh, you're not so warm, neither it; so come along," said his coppership. And these were the cold facts of the case for which he paid \$3 in fine later on.

Riding straight ahead with confident air-This is my own wheel; I never hire one. Nervous glance from corner of left eye -Are my gaiters buttoned?

Turning first one way, then the other -What are your intentions? Determined effort to view back of Is my hind wheel on straight? Down hill with feet on coasters-I'm conidered a little fast. Long skirts concealing feet-Yes, thank you, the folks in Chicago are well. Scorching at record-like gait-I do care for your society. A wrecked wheel and a girl in tears-You

have made a mash .- The Wheel. Bicycle Notes.

Trust in the Lord and keep your lamp The Southern Pacific road has come to the front by recognizing the bike as bag-

Bleycle row had a big rush yesterday. The warm weather brought out the buyers of a week all in a bunch. Every rider should have stock in the Wheelway League and should do his best

to get his neighbor to subscribe. Views of the cycle path will be placed on exhibition soon in a case made to hold them in front of the Outing retail store. John Orman, formerly connected with the firm of C. G. Fisher & Co., of this city, but now of Chicago, was in the city yester-

John Jones, who has wheeled from New York to San Francisco and back since Jan. 15, arrived in Yonkers on his return trip | come into play, "grind," "dig," and "bone, on Wednesday. Ed Pfeffer and L. O. Watson, who are

now in training at Fountain Ferry Park, Louisville, will probably enter the Decoration day road race. The secessionists from the L. A. W. of Minnesota have organized a new associa- you which that is. tion of wheelmen known as the United

Wheelmen of America.

IT IS A GREAT CIVILIZER to remain for nearly an hour, while they of the Bowen-Merrill Company. J. I. IRON MOTES IN THE EYE ing subscriptions daily at his office in the

William Hulvershorn and William Fay, Cincinnati agents of Hay & Willits, will spend Sunday in Indianapolis. anxious for a run over the cycle path. There are 4,000,000 bicycle riders in the United States, and 250 manufactories are required to supply their demands. There s invested in the business \$60,000,000, which

furnishes employment for 70,000 people.

A Michigan-Indiana racing association independent of the L. A. W. has been formed. A schedule of meets has been arranged and four professional and four amateur races are to be given at each one. At Temlinson Hall, Indianapolis, the week of Jan. 18, 1897, Tillie Anderson won a twelve-hour, six-day, two hour daily, race, scoring 246 8-18 miles. No records were broken, as the managers ran the race one lap short of the mile.-Minneapolis Times.

in England consists of eggs, milk and port wine. It is very easy of digestion. Milk and egg by itself tends to clog the throat,

President Potter has issued a bulletin calling attention to a number of dishonest dealers in bicycles and wheeling supplies. These men have advertised their wares as those adopted by the L. A. W. The bulletin warns all members of the league against these men and against their goods. ndorsed the American Wheelmen's Pro-

tective Association, an organization to insure against loss of wheels by theft. This indorsement of the L. A. W. has been withdrawn by President Potter because the company has not paid several wheelmen whose bicycles were stolen and who The Czar of all the Russias is something

of a trick rider since he has cultivated the are of marksmanship whilst mounted on his The weapon he uses is a small, rook rifle, but possessing a far greater carrying power. He is able to raise this to his shoulder with one hand whilst steering and shoot with great proficiency.

It is a noteworthy fact that the bicycle messenger boy. Only a few seasons ago he was regarded as the most easy-going and indolent living thing on the face of the earth. It was supposed that he would prefer to walk backward rather than to arrive at his destination in a hurry. The new boy never loiters on the road. He owns a bicycle and he is a scorcher. Blizzards wouldn't stop him, and he is worth five of

The order recently issued by the Pennsylthem to accept bicycles as baggage means The road records committee of the Cen- a great deal to the racing men. Heretofore an important item of the expense account portation of his racing wheel. When it is it will be readily seen that this order is of great import for them. Credit for this reform is largely due the work of the L.

There are five young ladies, all of whom live on the principal North Side residence streets, who have a determination to revive the bloomer. They have formed a club and are anxious to get at least five more to join them. They have been riding in skirts and have learned the inconvenience of them and are anxious to return to the Adam Forepaugh, the circus proprietor, comforts of the garment of which they saw a little in 1895. The young ladies are aware that the East has tabooed the bloomer, but are willing to set their judgment against that of the East. They expect to make their appearance on the streets in a few

> Melbourne. The wheels sell at prices ranging from \$58 to \$145, and American bicycles are favorites. It is the practice of some dealers to sell wheels on time payment for the exact amount of the monthly suburban railway tickets, so that the buyer at the end of a certain time seems to obtain his bicycle free of cost. All of the leading American wheels are represented by agencies in Australia, and there is complaint that the trade is overdone, receiving 35 per cent. more bicycles in proportion to population than any other country.

"Beginners," says an Irish cyclist, "as-sume extreme positions. At one pole are found the poker people, who assume the nailed-up attitude of a wall tree. They usually have the stretch too low, and pump their knees like Mr. Pecksniff's horse. The knotted speed toper is at the other pole. In handle bars as one sees a sick passenger hanging over the ship's side. The ladies seem to pick up the knack of graceful positions much more readily. But the most gallant liar could scarcely give them all full credit. A bicycle is no setter-off of prim

"If the lower side of the bicycle chain sags," says the expert, "and the upper part is taut it shows that the front sprocket and the cranks are pulling the wheel. and the latter, therefore, must run harder than the former. If the upper part of the chain sags and the lower part is taut the reverse is the case, and shows the trouble to be in the crank bearings, which should be examined for bad cones, cups, balls or bad adjustment. Frequently it happens that is, it does not run on a level. If the chain is in good working order it should be perfectly level at any point between the two sprockets.'

"At this season of the year warnings against exposure to chills and their consequent evils cannot be too frequently reiterated," says a physician, "more especially as they form a peril to life rendered deadlier by far than the most dreadoo lightly by the average of thoughtless humanity. Bicycling is one of the most acthe body. After brisk riding and overheating there is always a strong temptation on in ordinary riding to descend a long hill in the magnet was the sliver of steel that "Did you ever notice what a difference whilst heated by the previous struggle up- the wound it had made upon entrance to against all risks is to wear woolen under-

SLANG OF COLLEGE GIRLS.

Other Terms of Student Life.

College girl slang is not often heard out- of the inflamed eye was found necessary. side of college walls. To outsiders it is chiefly interesting because it gives giimpses | netically is a blacksmith of this city. The of college life. Take the word "prod," for needle hanging from the cocoon fiber in the example. A "prod" would scarcely be met sideroscope jumped about when his eye with except in the college world, although | was close to it. He had a splinter of steel prodigies might. It is always a question in the ball. He was seated before the big whether a girl who is called "prod" re- magnet and the current was applied. Out ceives the term in approbation or disgust. | popped the piece of steel and clung to the There are two sorts of "prods," one receiv- | magnet. This patient was more fortunate ing the term from pure brilliancy in some | than the other. The inflammation subsided particular line, the other for general stu- rapidly, and the eye penetrated by the diousness. The latter are the most irritat- metal is now a fine seeing organ, as good ing, for they are always ready with an. as any blacksmith would care to own. swers in recitations, while the brilliant | Dr. Barkan observes that care must be "prod" may be on the ordinary plane of taken that the chip of steel or iron is not intelligence when out of her particular tangled in the iris, for the magnet is so sphere. She is a "prod" through no fault | strong that it might pull out the iris with

A distinctly woman's collegiate word is his opinion of the uses of the magnet in a "crush," expressing a relationship between | quotation from Professor Haab that chips two girls hard to define. One girl, gener- of fron or steel will rarely fail to be really an underclassman, and usually a fresh- moved by the magnet, and that making the man, becomes much attached to another attempt is justifiable in cases where the girl, ordinarily an upper class girl. The position of the chip in the eye is unknown younger girl is "crushed" on the other, or the case affords "poor chances. sends her flowers, and tries in various ways | Ten per cent. of all affections of the eye to give expression to her admiration. The are due to injury. Fifty-six per cent. of "crush" soon passes over, the admirer find- the injuries are caused by foreign bodies. ing some flaw in her idol, or else, as is often | Seventy-five per cent. of the foreign bodies the case, the "crush" at length loses its penetrating to the vitreous humor are iron youthful sentimentality and settles down or steel. Before the use of magnetic opera-

whether "crushed" or not, to teach them | puts it. their proper place. There is an unwritten but well-established decree that upper class girls shall always be held as superiors. At the first of the year, for instance, before the entering class is thoroughly at home, it would be a decided breach of etiquette for a freshman to ask a mighty senior or junior to dance. She must wait to be invited. But the freshmen-well, they don't understand all these important points, but a judicious use of the "dead squelch" will

teach them a good deal. In much the same category with slang are the abbreviations rife at college. Literature is always "lit," psychology "psych," dictionary "dic." The abbreviation most in the minds of the girls at present is that dreaded monster, "exams." In the corridors may be heard such questions as, "How many 'exams' have you got?" "Do you think we'll have one in lit?" then, with gloomy foreboding, "Oh, I'm so afraid I'll flunk." Then the synonyms for hard work

A Bit of Advice.

Somerville Journal. In buying a bicycle be sure to get the best. Any of the advertisements will tell

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San Francisco Chronicle.

Men who work in iron and steel know the pain and the peril from particles of metal in the eye. They and the oculist know of the difficulty of removing these bits of metal that have perforated the outer coats of the eye and penetrated the eyebut the port wine appears to make it slip, | ball. Good news is there for these craftsmen in the story of an apparatus, invented and used by a studious German savant, for the removal of distressing invaders of the eye, and in the fact that one of his instruments has been brought to San Francisco and successfully tried here.

The apparatus is a large electro-magnet, Former League President Sterling Elliott | so powerful that it draws out of the eye front of a magnet, hold open the lids, turn heres to the pole of the magnet. The explanation seems simple, but the apparatus must be operated with great care, that the light rifle, something after the pattern of a | fragment of iron or steel does not harm the eye during its dramatic exit at the bidding of the magnet.

Dr. Barkan is the San Francisco doctor who has brought the large Haab magnet has brought about a great change in the to this city. In a paper read by him before the San Francisco Society of Eye, Ear, the apparatus and the manner of using it, but, with characteristic conservatism, stops there, controlling the imagination that must suggest to him great tests to be made, subduing the elation that must come to the man of science at the solution of a problem in his specialty.

The use of a magnet for finding bits of The order recently issued by the Pennsyl- metal and removing them from the eye is vania Railroad to its agents instructing about ten years old. McKeown, of Belfast, and Hirschberg introduced the use of a hand magnet, merely a probe or sound wrapped with copper wire, a current of electricity being applied to the wire. This probe or sound had to be introduced into the eye and poked about in search for the metal, sometimes destroying the vitreous result was loss of sight, even if the foreign foreign substance was not removed. Before the introduction of the hand magnet. forceps or a spoon was used, rarely with

THE BIG ELECTRO-MAGNET.

Professor Haab, of Zurich, appreciating the inefficiency of the hand magnet, de- | & cided to try the effect of a very powerful magnet that need not be introduced into the eye, a long-distance magnet, to use & popular description. He tried experiments successfully with a large electro-magnet in a physical laboratory, and then construct-Victoria, Australia, last year imported bi-cycles valued at \$1,478,715, according to United States Consul General Maratta, at might be brought close to the eye to be operated on.

During Dr. Barkan's recent visit to Europe he witnessed experiments made with Professor Haab's magnet, and also with the sideroscope of Dr. E. Asmus, and was so delighted with the results that he ordered both and brought them home with him. The Haab electro-magnet bought by Dr. Barkan is the only apparatus of the kind in this country, though a smaller instrument, operated on the same principle, is in use in New York. Dr. Barkan has shown both the magnet and the sideroscope to his brother oculists of this city, and intends to conduct a clinic with them at the meeting of the State Medical Society in this city, The sideroscope is a very delicate instrument for determining whether a piece of iron or steel has entered the eye. A technical description is necessary to thoroughly the too forward position he leans over the explain its operation. It consists essentially of a delicately poised magnetic needle suspended on cocoon fiber. The person with an inflamed eye is placed close to the needle. The surgeon peers through a telescope at the needle. A tiny fragment of iron filing in the eye is sufficient to osairs, frozen haughtiness, skittish chicness | cillate the poised needle. The doctor sees or the other little expression tricks common | the agitation and knows that the inflammation of the eye is caused by iron or steel, Having gained this information he uses the Haab magnet to draw out the piece of metal. The magnet is so strong that the injured eye need not be closer than half an inch or an inch from the pole. Dr. Barkan has had the opportunity of trying the large magnet twice. The first

the Haab magnet. The patient, while removing a shoe from a horse, felt a severe pain in his eye. Inflammation ensued, and that the chain used is not running even; the pain was intense. The oculist he consulted in Stockton advised him to come immediately to San Francisco. Dr. Barkan used the sideroscope and from the agitation of the poised needle learned that a piece of metal had penetrated the eye. Then he turned to the magnet. DRAWING A SLIVER. The patient was seated on a turning stool the arms resting on a support, so that the

ed bicycle accidents, in that it is held far | head might comfortably be bent forward, tive of exercises. It brings every muscle | magnet. The doctor held open the lids, and organ into play and opens the pores of | while an assistant turned the key, sending a constant current of electricity to the the part of the rider to cool off in the fresh | wires wound about the core of soft iron. air without taking any precautions. Even The patient felt a sharp pain, and upon the brisk draught of one's own making had caused the trouble. It emerged through

Though the foreign substance had been removed and the test of the magnet was satisfactory, the ultimate result of the injury was serious to the patient. For a few days after removal of the bit of horseshoe nail the inflammation of the eye decreased. Then it returned with angry symptom. Evidently the bit of steel had carried with it into the eye poisonous germs. Removal The second patient operated upon magthe splinter. The cautious doctor clothes

tions the eye was lost in nearly every case "If, however, before either of these states of perforating injury caused by iron or are reached the object of the "crush" gets | steel. Professor Haab reports sixty cases weary of the devotion, she resorts to what | operated on with his large magnet, and in in college parlance is known as "squelching," the highest form of which is a "d. s.," or "dead squelch." This method, indeed, magnet while yet new in surgery of the has often to be employed toward freshmen, eye-ophthalmic practice, as Dr. Barkan

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Needed in America. Col. Henry Watterson, the distinguished editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, is an ardent advocate of good roads. Recently, in the course of a column editorial on the subject, among other things, he said: "The good roads now under discussion, and which it is admitted are badly needed, are local roads-avenues from the farm to the railroad, the mill, the market, the

school, the church, the ferry." The paragraph will bear reading more than once. The veteran editor compressed a great deal into those few lines. Good roads from the farm to the railroad

station, the mill, the factory, the fair ground, the market, the school, the church and the ferry is that which is most needed in the way of good roads. It may be doubted if there ever was said, in so few words, that which so completely covered the ground of wants in that direction. It simplifies matters, makes them plain, easy to understand by all classes. Nothing yet said has so clearly shown that the farmers are the ones who will receive the greatest number of advantages from a system of

I wish that this tersely expressed sentiment of the great Southern editor might come under the eye of every friend of good | roads in the country and be read and carefully pondered over by every farmer, North and South, East and West.

The better the roads the more neighborly be neighbors. When the road reform is brought about, there will have been secured an advance in good citizenship which may well delight every good American. Trade is never too good to suit the merchant; advertising never too plentiful to please the publisher; the manufacturer had rather have more orders than he can fil than less than he can fill. No farmer ever had a cow that was too good; a horse that was too useful: a good farming implement that lasted too long. This list might be continued to the end of a long chapter. will end the list by asking if any one ever rode on a highway that was too good? Every word spoken, every line printed in favor of good roads helps along the good road movement. Are you writing such lines and speaking such words? If not, why not? There is room for them, need of them. Write and speak them, and thus become a member of the army of good road advocates. A correspondent writes me of road building in his township. In one road district he says they have had the same pathmaster for fifteen years. He has exended \$250 each year on two and one-half miles of highway. To-day that piece of highway, that has cost so dearly, is in a worse condition than it was fifteen years ago. The \$3,750 might just as well have been consigned to a bonfire, so far as any advantage the farmers have received from its expenditure. I imagine that a record of thousands of pathmasters will compare

very well with that of this one. I am giving others a chance to speak in his letter more than making arguments of my own, or presenting the news of the day. will finish my weekly visit to hundreds of thousands of readers by quoting from Western paper that which might truthfully be said by every local paper in every city and village not surrounded by good roads. After speaking of the distressedly bad condition of the roads in t' t vicinity the editor asks: "What will good roads cost? Our city might better sacrifice 5 per cent, of all of its capital, or even more than that, rather than to ever again have such roads as we have had during the last six

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